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## Garrison commander discusses housing issues

By Douglas DeMaio, USAG Bamberg Public Affairs

The Warner Barracks commander had a message for local leaders when he met with mayors and city representatives from the Bamberg area on Sept. 18 at the Bootshaus.

During the community relations event called Mayor's Day, Lt. Col. Gary A. Rosenberg thanked leaders for the support they have given to the U.S. military community and asked the city leaders to further assist in sharing his message with local community members

"Our Soldiers and civilians love to live in the city and county of Bamberg," Rosenberg said to more than 70 local representatives. "In fact, if I get one complaint, it's that we don't have enough private rental housing available.

"Even though we have 785 private rental housing units already, we currently still have 18 families on the waiting list," he said. "There are many more who would love to live in the city and county of Bamberg. Giving our Soldiers, families and civilians a chance to live outside the gates, in my opinion, really adds to our great relationship, as it fosters exchange and communication at the grass-roots level. I would really appreciate if you would go

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Lt. Col. Gary A. Rosenberg finishes his speech at Mayor's Day. Rosenberg thanked local leaders for their support to the military community and encouraged the leaders to talk with their constituents about private rental agreements with the U.S. military.

## German-American friendship event this weekend

By Ashley Bateman, USAG Bamberg Public Affairs

German-American friendship will be celebrated with two days of food, entertainment and fellowship Sept. 26-27 at Bamberg's Plärrerplatz festival grounds. Kontakt club members from all over Germany, along with anyone interested in joining the festivities, will be meeting at the grounds next to the U.S. Airfield.

According to Project Officer Capt. Jamel Carr, the purpose of the event is to strengthen and recognize German-American friendship across the country in one consolidated weekend event.

The event should strengthen the alliances among affiliated BDFA (Federal Association of German-American Friendship) clubs and help improve their visibility.

The BDFA is the umbrella organization for Kontakt clubs and groups in Germany. One

of its many goals is to reach out to Americans in the country and introduce them to German customs, festivals and traditions.

From 10 a.m. until 1 a.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, the festival will provide food, entertainment and camaraderie for those who continually work to form connections between Germans and Americans.

Live music will include country singer Barbara Cartland and country western band 'Buddy and Friends'.

No entry fee will be charged to those who attend and parking is available nearby for €1. Tickets will be available for purchase and can be used at all food and beverage stands. Diners will have the choice of American and German-style food.

Second chair person of the BDFA, Sibylle Schmitt explained the long-term goal of the event.

"It is to get the Kontakt club well known in the city of Bamberg," Schmitt said. "We want to conduct this Germany-American day every year, maybe in different cities. This is the first time it's been in Bamberg."

Schmitt knows of clubs from at least three cities other than Bamberg that will be participating this weekend.

"Groups from Vilseck, Heidelberg and Fulda are coming," she said.

Members of the clubs will be assisting with setup, food services, decorating and other duties, showing support for the celebration of the two nations.

Although entertainment and services will close at 1 a.m. the first day of the festival, attendees are welcome to spend the night.

Sleeping bags will not be provided, but the clubhouse will be open for those who bring their own sleeping gear.



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Customer Comments: Dear Director,

The Warner Weekly survey results were neither fair nor accurate since 90 percent of the military population did not participate or even know about it. No sign was ever posted during the survey time at the fitness center and it required internet access from home to vote. It would have been better to survey gym users as they entered the gym instead. Then you would have had an accurate and fair vote instead of hiding this on some monkey web site.

In addition, your survey didn't include the petition results provided to the Commander with about 100 names who all voted for late opening hours.

Why not include the petition people with your numbers from the Web site survey? This just shows that MWR is not interested in fairness at all.

Please publish your answer in the next Warner Weekly.

#### Commander's Response:

Thank you for your input. First, I disagree with your characterization of the survey. The survey was open to the community; anyone could have participated and in fact, statistically a good portion of the people did. A statistical sampling, by its very nature, only accounts for a small number of the people in a population. Your next point, pertaining to your comment that "It would have been better to survey gym users as they entered the gym instead" was already addressed. One of the original drivers for changing the hours of the FFF was based on a survey of actual users of the facility on the holidays and weekend. This survey occurred over a number of holidays and weekends and gave us good insight into the desires of those people who ACTUALLY USED the facility (versus those who SAY THEY USE the facility). With regard to your final comment regarding the petition I received, it is a fair comment. However this data has already been collected and considered. It was not run in the previous article as it had no bearing

on the results of this survey. I will tell you though, this petition was part of the reason we decided to conduct another survey.

Let me go back to the survey itself. The online survey was designed to revisit the FFF hours of operation issue in a different medium. As you note above, no matter what method we use, we will not get to 100% of the population. As I said above, we have already surveyed actual Freedom Fitness Facility users and we also used the data from RecTrac to see how many people were actually using the gym. We did this before we changed the hours in the first place; and the reason they were changed is because, the fact is, not many people were using the gym later in the day on weekends and holidays. This is a fact, not speculation.

#### www.bamberg.army.mil/sites/news/WarnerWeeklyArchive/2009/07.23.09.WW.pdf

You may recall from the previously run story (click above link to access) that an average of only 24 customers used the facility on the weekend between 5– 9 p.m. More people participated in the online survey than on average used the FFF (prior to the hours of operation change) after 5 p.m.

Morale, Welfare and Recreation is interested in providing customers with what they want. The truth is we have a very diverse customer base that has differing opinions on this issue. The fact that we continue to look at actual usage data and take customer polls and surveys proves that MWR staff IS interested; they are interested in fairness and providing the best services for the most people. They exceed the Army standard by operating the facility beyond the 90 hours per week standard.

Changing the FFF hours of operation was based on the lack of use. If it had been used more after 5 p.m., this wouldn't be an issue, but decisions were made based on the lack of participation. This is unfortunate for some, but we cannot be everything to everyone. We are forced to determine how to provide the best service for the most people and accept the fact that some will be dissatisfied - no matter what we do.

We have, are, and will continue to review this issue in an effort to find the optimum balance of operating hours, but we are limited by both funding and manpower constraints.



Lt. Col. Gary A. Rosenberg Commander, US Army Garrison Bamberg





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# Fire Prevention Week begins Oct. 4

Tom Saunders, IMCOM-Europe Public Affairs, and Ashley Bateman, USAG Bamberg Public Affairs

HEIDELBERG, Germany - Soldiers and families at garrisons throughout Installation Management Command—Europe may hear an increase of sirens and see more flashing blue lights on fire trucks during early October.

No worries, though. This is all about raising awareness of preventing fire-related incidents.

Bamberg, like the other garrisons throughout Europe, will observe Fire Prevention Week Oct. 4-11, traditionally a time when fire prevention specialists increase visibility and make a final impression upon community members about the need to be fire smart and fire safe.

This year's Fire Prevention Week is held in conjunction with the six -month long Fire Prevention Campaign launched March 31 throughout the Installation Management Command to promote fire safety and increased inspections in response to an Army-wide increase in preventable fire incidents.

This year's Fire Prevention Campaign theme - "Stay Fire Smart! Don't Get Burned" - focuses on simple steps people can take to keep their homes safe from the leading causes of fires, injuries, and deaths, and also provides vital burn prevention advice and tidbits.

"Fire prevention specialists and officials at garrisons will continue

to put the focus on fire safety education and inspections to ensure our people are best equipped to avoid preventable fires," said Pete Horcasitas, IMCOM-E Division of Emergency Services director. "While we label our current efforts under the category of a fire safety campaign, the reality is that fire safety is a year-round concern, and our people provide year round education and support."

In IMCOM-E, garrison safety and fire and emergency services personnel will team up on the command-wide fire safety campaign to raise awareness and provide guidance to Soldiers, civilians and Families on how to recognize, improve, and practice fire safety, according to Horcasitas.

"We encourage everyone to participate in fire safety activities at their garrisons. It's a great way to get information, teach children fire safety, and provides a good venue to share in a community event," said Horcasitas.

Fire Prevention Inspector on Warner Barracks, Engelbert Marty agreed that having available information and teaching children is vital to fire safety.

"For fire prevention week we will do training at the schools," he said. "We will teach kids to stop, drop and roll. We will also show them fire escape plans, which are important to learn."

For more information about local garrison events, individuals may link to their garrison Web sites by accessing garrison tab in the IMCOM-E Region Web site "Main Navigation" box on the left-hand side of the page at: http://www.imcom-europe.army.mil/sites/local/

## FluMist available in Bavaria MEDDAC Clinics

VILSECK, Germany – The Bavaria Medical Department Activity is now offering FluMist, an intranasal vaccine that helps prevent seasonal influenza, at their seven outlying health clinics in Bamberg, Grafenwoehr, Hohenfels, Illesheim, Katterbach, Schweinfurt and Vilseck.

Flu Zone, which is the injectable vaccine, is not yet available in the Bavaria footprint.

"Currently, we're offering the FluMist to all of our eligible beneficiaries," said Capt. Joseph Woodring, BMEDDAC chief of Preventive Medicine. "Once we receive our shipment of injectable vaccines, better known as flu shots, we will inform our communities through the local papers and AFN."

The influenza virus, more commonly known as the flu, is a contagious disease which can be spread by coughing, sneezing or nasal secretions. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than 200,000 people are hospitalized each year with influenza, with 36,000 who die from the disease. Common symptoms include fever, sore throat, coughing, chills, fatigue, headaches and muscle aches.

"Influenza is not the same thing as having a cold," said Lt. Col. Jeff Linck, BMEDDAC deputy commander of Nursing. "For example, if you have a cold you aren't going to

run a high fever, but if you have the flu you'll definitely be running a high temperature."

Vaccination is mandatory for all active duty personnel as well as Department of Defense civilians designated as emergency essential and reserve personnel on active duty. TRICARE beneficiaries are also offered the vaccine to protect against influenza. Although some people may have gotten their flu vaccine last year, medical professionals recommend they come in to get the new annual vaccine.

"Medical professionals traditionally have taken the top three flu strains from the year before and decide which strain they should incorporate to best protect people against influenza," Woodring said. "Since the strains are always changing, you want to get the flu vaccine each year to ensure you're protected against the most current strain."

BMEDDAC will offer three types of flu vaccination – FluMist, Flu Zone and a pediatric injectable flu vaccine. Each patient will complete a pre-screening form, which covers information such as age and long-term health conditions, so health care providers can administer the most appropriate vaccine.

Although each individual is different, there are some basic guidelines that determine

which vaccine should be administered.

The FluMist, which is sprayed up the nose, is approved for 2 - 49 year-olds who are not pregnant and do not have serious health problems. According to Linck, the vaccine is great for children because it's a spray, not a shot, and it still protects against the seasonal flu.

"The FluMist is a live, attenuated vaccine that has been made for a body to recognize and fight off this milder, attenuated form," Woodring said. "It may cause flu-like symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or mild body aches, which normally resolve within a few days of receiving the vaccine."

The Flu Zone, which is the injectable vaccine, is approved for individuals who fall outside the 2 - 49 age range or have a medical condition that disqualifies them for the FluMist, such as long-term health problems or pregnancy. A pediatric injectable vaccine is also available for 6 - 23 montholds.

People interested in getting the flu vaccine should call their local clinic appointment line or their medical facility's immunization clinic.

For more information, contact your local health clinic or the BMEDDAC Public Affairs Office at 476-4605 or 09662-83-4605.

### How to make

The TRICARE Entitlement Program: Week 4 of 4 week series

It is important for you and your family to have the best health possible. The month of September is Health Benefits Awareness Month. The focus is on 4 important facets of health.

- a. Physical health week 1
- b. Mental health week 2
- c. Dental health week 3
- d. Travel Health week 4

Travel Health: There is nothing worse than starting off on a trip only to have the plans interrupted with an illness or accident.

Your travel plans should include a review of your medical coverage and what steps you must take if the need should arise.

#### **Travel Preparations:**

- Pack your TRICARE Europe Passport!
- Keep your Defense Enrollment eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) information for you and your family current.
- Get any routine care before you travel and obtain adequate routine medications which you should carry with you (not in your checked baggage). Any routine care obtained while traveling for Prime beneficiaries must be pre-

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approved by your Primary Care Provider or TRICARE Service Center.

- It is recommended any non-TRICARE beneficiary traveling to Europe check with their insurance carrier to see what is covered overseas and/ or obtain travelers insurance.
- If traveling to a foreign country it is important to see if there are any recommended immunizations that you should get before you travel.
- If traveling to another country, it is wise to know the number for the American Embassy or Consulate and the local emergency phone numbers.

Emergency Care: TRICARE defines an emergency as a medical, maternity, or psychiatric condition that would lead any prudent layperson to believe that a serious medical condition exists for which immediate medical treatment is needed to save life, limb, or eyesight.

Seek treatment immediately at the nearest military treatment facility or host nation hospital emergency room.

Active duty personnel traveling on temporary duty or leave and Prime enrolled family members should contact the TRICARE

## work for you

Global Remote Alarm Center immediately for assistance. Phone: 0044-208-762-8429.

- The Alarm center can assist with locating appropriate medical care, emergency medical transportation and provide a guarantee of payment to the treating facility whenever possible.
- This is an expanded benefit keep the phone number with you!

Standard beneficiaries – should also seek care immediately at the nearest emergency room but be aware that most facilities in Europe will require upfront payment. You would have to pay for the services received and file a claim with TRICARE for reimbursement in the region where you live.

Urgent Care: TRICARE defines an urgent medical need as one for an illness or injury which does not require immediate treatment to avoid further disability or death, but requires professional attention and has the potential to become more serious if treatment is delayed longer than 24 hours. TRICARE Prime beneficiaries should contact your TRICARE Service Center for guidance. TRICARE Standard beneficiaries can seek care locally and pay as claim as usual.

Have a great holiday and be safe.

## **Bamberg Students Compete in National History Day**

By Kevin Drury

Two students from Bamberg's military community had the chance to compete at the National History Day Competition in College Park, Md., in June.

Steven Leeds, a 6th grader, and Violet Knoll, a 9th grader, took part in the event sponsored by the History Channel. Students compete in the annual event in one of several categories: documentary, paper, exhibit or Web site.

This year's theme was The Individual in History, Actions and Legacies. Leeds and Knoll won at local, district, and the Europe-wide competitions making them eligible to compete against the best projects from all U.S. states and territories.

The two are the first-ever representatives of the Bavaria School District on the National Stage for the competition.

Both students spent more than 100 hours during an eight month period researching and assembling their information.

Leeds' Junior Division video documentary entitled "You Sunk My Battleship! Isoroku Yamamoto and the Introduction of Modern Naval Warfare," explored the historical impact and legacies of Japanese Admiral Yamamoto during World War II.

Knoll's Senior Division historical paper entitled "Margaret Sanger- a Pioneer for Women's Rights," explored the birth control movement.

Students at the national level contended for cash awards, scholar-

ships and other prizes from multiple sponsors.

Knolls and Leeds competed with close to 100 students in their respective categories.

While they did not place in the finals, they were recognized on stage for having the best Junior and Senior entries from all of Department of Defense Education Activity - Europe.

Only two entries from every state are chosen to receive this medal. Both students said the process was challenging, but rewarding, and they plan to use their research skills in their future educational pursuits.

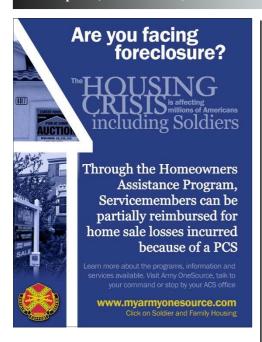
"It was a lot of work, and I learned new computer skills," said Leeds. "I would like to try to make another documentary."

Knoll said she plans on competing again next year.

The Bamberg military community rallied to support sending the two to the competition.

Groups, including the Bamberg Elementary School PTA, the Masonic fraternal organization, and community members sponsored sending the two students to the completion.

Their generous contributions made the trip possible for these deserving students and gave them an opportunity to represent the Bamberg community. Other Bamberg students who competed at the European competition held in Wiesbaden, Germany, were Isaac Bacon, Michael Verhoef and Cory Lestochi.



#### **Community Announcements**

Please send all announcements to Bamberg Public Affairs via the following website:

http://www.bamberg.army.mil/mobi/form.asp.

(Please note, events are listed by categories and then in order of occurrence.)

#### **School Board**

Bamberg Middle/High School is taking applications for the School Advisory Committee (SAC) until Sept. 25. SAC serves as the DoDDS/DoDEA version of the school board concept that is in place at most stateside schools. If more than two parents apply, there will be an election and all parents of BMHS students are eligible to vote. If interested, email your name and contact information to BambergHS.Principal@eu.dodea.edu.

#### Tax Center

The Bamberg Tax Assistance Center will close its doors Sept. 29 for the remainder of the year. If you still need to file your 2008 Tax Return (or prior years), please don't hesitate, come in while you still have the time. The center is located on the 4th floor of Building 7000 (Law Center). The Tax Center is open Monday through Friday from 9 - 11:30 a.m. and 1 - 3:30 p.m. until Sept. 29. Don't Delay. Please call to make an appointment today. For more information, call 469-8262 or 0951-300-8262.

#### Club Luncheon

Bamberg Spouses and Civilians Club will have an introductory luncheon Sept. 28 at the Warner Conference Center from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free soup and salad will be served. Please email bscc.reservations@yahoo.com to RSVP.

#### **Out Processing Requirement**

Soldiers separating from the Army beginning Oct. 1 will be required to make an appointment on Tuesdays and Thursdays with the Education Center in order to out-process. Soldiers who are out-processing must know their Separation Program Designator code, which is obtained from the Transition Center, in order to cleared the Education Center. For more information, call 469 -7715 or 0951-300-7715.

#### **October Events**

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Army Community Service is sponsoring the following events in order to raise awareness of the signs of domestic violence and the services available to victims:

- Information booths will be located at the front entrance of the commissary on Oct. 6 and Oct. 22 from 1 4 p.m. Pledge cards will be available for community members to sign. The signers of these pledge cards will agree to refrain from domestic violence and report suspected domestic violence.
- An information booth will be located at the entrance to the Freedom Fitness Facility on Oct.
   17 during the Freedom to Fitness Fun Run.
   Pledge cards will also be available.
- There will be two self defense classes offered on Oct. 15 and Oct. 22 at 6 p.m. in the Freedom Fitness Facility. These classes will be free
- The Victim Advocate will present a Domestic Violence Awareness Class entitled "Silence Hides Violence" to Family Readiness Groups as requested throughout the month of October.

For more information about preventing domestic violence, call 469-8397 or 469-8397.

#### Knock, Knock

Trick or Treat hours for Halloween will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Oct. 31.

#### **Weekly Reminders**

#### **Customs Office**

The Bamberg Customs Office is here to assist personnel with importing items, which can help you save a lot of money and also with selling items to non-ID cardholders. The Customs Office also helps retirees and widows with getting permission to go shopping on post if they visit for more than 30 days or live in Germany. The office also offers assistance with 175 L Forms, which give personnel permission to get an ESSO card for a rental vehicle. The office is located in Rooms 124 and 125 in building 7011 across the street from the movie theatre. Customer service hours are Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - noon and 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. and closed on German and American Holidays. For more information, call 476-7460 or 476-9312.

#### **Volunteer Opportunity with BSCC**

Volunteer opportunities are available with the Bamberg Spouses and Civilians Club. Standing Chair positions are available for the 2009-2010 year. If you're interested in a position, email president@bsccgermany.com.

#### **Unit Financial Readiness Training**

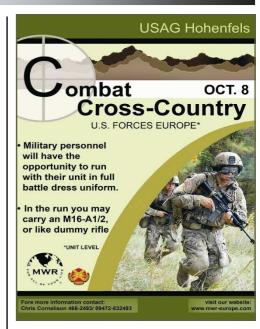
Getting ready to deploy, re-deploy, or reintegrate? Don't have time to come to us? We will come to you. Schedule a briefing for your unit. For more information, call 469-7777.

#### **Veterinary Facility**

Veterinary Office hours are Monday through Wednesday from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., closed Thursday. Fridays 8 a.m. - noon. No walk-in appointments are available. The clinic is closed on the last weekday of each month for inventory. The clinic is also closed on all American and training holidays. Over the counter products and prescriptions may be purchased during regular business hours. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 0951-300-7972.

#### **Family Strengths and Stresses**

Army Community Service, Family Advocacy Program is here to provide help and support by offering a New Parent Support Program, Newborn Network, Play Group, Parenting Classes, Communication Classes, Victim Advocacy, and Stress



and Anger Management Classes. For more information, call 469-7777 or 0951-300-7777.

#### **Pre-Separation Briefing**

Planning to move from Soldier to civilian? Take advantage of the transition services offered by the Army Career and Alumni Program, such as a Department of Labor two-and-a-half day job assistance workshop, help with resume preparation, and information about your veterans benefits. Make an appointment to attend the mandatory ACAP Pre-Separation Briefing. The briefing is held weekly and takes about an hour. Separating Soldiers can start the ACAP process one year before separating. Soldiers who will be retiring can start two years out from their projected retirement date. Take the first step by calling ACAP at 469-8925 or 0951-300-8925.

#### **Clinic Hours**

The Bamberg Health Clinic hours of operation are as follows: Monday through Thursday sick call is from 7 - 8 a.m.; full service is available from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. On Fridays, sick call is from 7 - 8 a.m. and full service from 7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. We are closed on Friday afternoons for mandatory training. The Health Clinic is also closed on federal holidays and weekends. For more information or if you need to make an ap-

**Bamberg School Age Services** 



pointment, call 469-1750 or 0951-300-1750. If you have a medical emergency, call the Bamberg Military Police at 0951-300-114. You may also call the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line at toll-free number 00800-4759-2330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week to talk to a nurse about your health care concerns, get self-care advice to help you feel better now, schedule appointments with your military provider, and arrange a phone call with your provider.

#### **Deployment Excellence Award Nominations**

The Deployment Excellence Award (DEA) program was established in 2000 to recognize Army units for outstanding accomplishments that meet or exceed Army deployment standards. Deploying, redeploying and deploying supporting units or agencies are fully qualified to self-nominate for the award based on their deployment, redeployment, or deployment support process. Nomination packets are due to U.S. Army Europe by Jan. 8. Units interested in applying for the 2010 award are encouraged to contact Aaron Burr at call 370-5407.

#### **Fitness Hours**

The Freedom Fitness Facility opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 4 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, training holidays and federal holidays. For more information, call 469-9086.

#### **Community Activity Center Hours**

Bamberg's Community Activity Center operational hours are:

- Monday Thursday 8 a.m. 8 p.m.
- Friday 8 a.m. 6 p.m.
- Saturdays 11 a.m. 6 p.m.
- Sundays 11 a.m. 6 p.m.
- Free WiFi is available around the CAC (Building 7047).

#### **Hours of Operation**

Army Community Service is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The office is closed on federal holidays but open on training holidays.

#### **Service Office**

The U.S. Army Garrison Bamberg Retirement Services Officer /Casualty Manager has relocated to Building 7290, Room 208, right next to Burger King. For more information, call 0951-300-7514.

#### **Closures / Changes**

#### **Finance Support Moving**

The Finance Customer Support Team is moving Sept. 25. The section will be relocated near the Service Credit Union in Building 7209, Room 102.

#### **Child Services Closed**

Child, Youth and School Services facilities will be closed for a staff training day on Oct. 9. Please plan accordingly. For more information, call 469-1770.

#### Street Closed

The dead-end section of 15th Street in front of the Community Activity Center will be closed Oct. 1 - 2.

#### **Vehicle Registration**

The Vehicle Registration Office will be closed Oct. 12. For more information, call 469-7580.

#### **Sports, Health and Fitness**

#### **Health Awareness**

The Freedom Fitness Facility will have a Health Awareness Fun Run and Info Day on Oct. 17. The 5K Fun Run starts at 9 a.m. followed by infor-

mation booths at 10 a.m. For more information, call 469-8890.

#### **Red Cross**

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive Oct. 7 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. in Building 7050. Come out and support this event that could save a life. For more information, call 469-1760.

#### **Fun Run and Info Day**

Bamberg Freedom Fitness Facility will have a Health Awareness Fun Run and Info Day Oct. 17, The 5K run starts at 9 a.m. followed by info booths at 10 a.m. Sign up at the event, free baseball cap for all participants. For more information call at 469-8890 or 0951-300-8890.

#### **Bowling Lanes**

The Birchview Lanes Bowling Center is located in Building 7690. Visit the Web site at www.bamberg.army.mil/sites/mwr for latest updates and upcoming MWR events.

- Freaky Friday Every Friday from 11 a.m. 6 p.m. every hour a score will be posted, bowl that score and receive a free game. The cost per game is \$1 and shoe rental is \$1.75. For more information, call 469-7722.
- Ladies Night Every Friday 6 p.m. to closing, ladies receive free shoe rental and may enter for the monthly drawing. The drawing is last Friday of the month. The cost per game is \$2.25 and shoe rental is \$1.75. For more information, call 469-7722.
- Pick your Price Every Saturday from 11 a.m. 6 p.m. after completing bowling, pull a ticket to determine what price you will pay for your game(s). For more information, call 469-7722.
- Thunder Strike Bowling Once an hour on Oct. 3 after 6 p.m., a song will be played. During this song, all strikes will receive free bowling game. The cost per game is \$2.75 and shoe rental is \$1.75. For more information, call 469-7722.
- Family Day Come to the bowling center Oct. 4 at noon for Family Day. The first game of bowling is \$2.25 per person and all games after the first .50 cents per person. Shoe rental is \$1 per pair. For more information, call 469-7722.

#### **Carpool**

From now to Oct. 9, two seats free for a car pool from Volkach – Schweinfurt – Bamberg and back. Carpool leaves form Fahr at 6:25 a.m. and departs Bamberg at 4 p.m. If interested, please call 469-8552.

#### **Continuing Education**

#### German 101

Free Introduction to German is every Monday at noon at the community library. Participants will learn some German words and phrases. For more information, call 469-1740 or 0951-300-1740.

#### **Education Pilot Program**

The Army has been selected by Congress to participate in an education pilot program designed to provide additional ways to expand education opportunities. Soldiers serving on active duty, to include National Guard and Reserve Soldiers on extended active duty, may acquire technical, vocational, or advanced training. This program is intended to provide training in highdemand career fields to help Soldiers find employment after they transition out of the Army. Army Education is working with technical and community colleges throughout the United States to build upon existing programs and develop new pilot re-training in career occupations such as rehabilitation, nursing, medical technology, and other health care occupations. For more information, visit the Army Vocational/Technical (AVOTEC) Web site at

https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/education/ VOTEC\_Program.html.

#### **University of Phoenix**

The University of Phoenix is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. It is located at the Warner Barracks Army Education Center, Building 7047, Room 309. Leah Gransbery, University of Phoenix field representative, can help you start your master's program. Online and on-site courses are available and degrees can be achieved in 15 - 24 months. For more information, call 469-9280 or 0951-208-5350.

#### **University of Oklahoma Classes**

The University of Oklahoma offers masters degrees in Human Relations and International Relations. On-site classes are held in Ansbach/Vilseck/Hohenfels in a six-day intensive format. Please check our interest survey at <a href="http://www.goou.ou.edu/europe/vilseck.html">http://www.goou.ou.edu/europe/vilseck.html</a>. For more information, call 467-3325 or 09802-83-3325 or email apansbach@ou.edu.

#### Field Study

University of Maryland University College Europe (UMUC Europe) announces two 3-credit undergraduate field study courses. In Dublin, Ireland: A Brief Literary History (Oct. 17-24), students will be introduced to the literary history of Ireland, emphasizing poets, dramatists, and fiction writers of the 20th century, such as James Joyce, Lady Gregory, and W.B.Yeats, who helped forge one of the greatest bodies of modern literature written in English. Students will attend several evening theater performances in Dublin and also visit various sites, to include the James Joyce Museum and Tower, the Old Parliament, Trinity College, and St. Patrick's Cathedral. In Expatriate Writers in Venice: 1800 to Present (Oct. 18-25), students will explore romantic Venice and the influence it had on world-renowned writers like Ernest Hemingway and Henry James, and on major poets such as George Gordon Byron and Robert Browning. Students will combine the visual influences of Venice -- architecture, art works, and picturesque landscapes -- with the study of the great literature produced there. Additionally, students will also participate in literary walks with on-site readings of significant passages, which provide a living sense of the writers' purposes and an appreciation of their powers of description. The registration deadline for both courses is 2 October. For more information, visit www.ed.umuc.edu/fieldstudy or contact a local UMUC field representative.

#### Back to School Bingo

Get your Bingo card from the Cool Beans Café counter (CAC building) and play BINGO the whole month of September. Two balls will be pulled daily. When your board shows an "X" you win a free specialty drink! So come in everyday to mark off your board!

#### **Youth and Teens**

#### **Bible Club**

Register your child today at the chapel for the weekly Bible Club. The club meets Sundays from 4 - 5:30 p.m. and is open to elementary age children. For more information, call 469-1570 or 0951-300-1570.

#### **HIRED! Program**

HIRED is a workforce preparation and career exploration program for youth between the ages of 15-18. Interested youth can apply to do an apprenticeship at any of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation facility. Throughout the 12 week term, youth will be paired with a mentor at the MWR facility of their choosing and learn valuable job skills. Youth must commit to working 15 hours in a seven day work week as well as attend weekly workshops by the HIRED! program coordinator. At the successful completion of the term, youth can apply for a cash award. Applications for the third term are due by Nov. 6. The third term will begin on Nov. 30.

#### Aqua Barons

Meet new people and become a part of the Aqua Barons team. Get into shape and stay in shape by swimming. Earn awesome rewards like trophies, medals, ribbons, and even a varsity letter for you efforts. Travel around Europe to swim meets in places like Italy, Spain, Belgium, England, and many more. For more information, email bambergaquabarons@yahoo.com.

#### **Entertainment and Leisure**

**German-American KONTAKT Club festival** 

German-American KONTAKT clubs from all over Germany will have a festival Sept. 26 and 27 from 10 a.m. until 1 a.m. Saturday and from



10 a.m. until 6 p.m., Sunday at the Plärrerplatz festival grounds in Bamberg next to U.S. Airfield. Entertainment includes country singer Barbara Cartland, country and western band "Buddy and friends" and much more. There will also be German and American style food and beverages. Entry is free and open to all. For more information, call 0951-300-7543.

#### Girl's night in!

Chicks, flicks and a bottle of wine! Come enjoy a ladies only night at the Community Activity Center Sept. 26 at 6:30 p.m. with games, movies, wine and cheese, all free. Please leave your kids and husband at home.

#### Photo Tour of Bamberg

Do you want to learn the basics of photography while seeing the local sites of beautiful Bamberg? The Portrait Studio is offering a beginner's photography class and walking tour of Bamberg. This opportunity on Sept. 26 will take you on a fun journey through Bamberg while you learn some of the basics of photography. Make sure you bring your own camera, comfortable walking shoes, euro for snacks and plenty of ideas. We will be leaving from the Portrait Studio in the Community Activities Center at 12:30 p.m. You must sign up for this trip at the CAC front counter. The cost is \$20 per person. For details, call 0951-300-8659.

#### One Act Festival

The One Act Plays Festival starts Oct. 1 and 3 at 7:30 p.m. and Oct 4 at 2 p.m. at Stable Theater. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for students, and can be reserved by calling 0951-300-8647. Non ID card holders can submit full name, passport number, date of birth and place, and auto plate number to jack.austin@eur.army.mil two days prior to performance for gate access. For more information, call 469-8647.

#### **Outreach KONTAKT Club Events**

The Outreach KONTAKT Club is an Army in Europe program designed to promote German and American friendship and is always looking for new members. We have regular meetings, local get-togethers and go on fun trips every month. The club is planning a trip to Munich in Autumn. The Outreach KONTAKT Bowling team bowls every Friday at 7 p.m. at Birchview Lanes on post. Every Thursday our music group meets at 8 p.m. at the KONTAKT clubhouse on the Airfield. For more information, call the German president Klaus Kirchhof at 0951-24378 or email b.k.kirchhof@web.de or the American project officer Capt Jamel R. Carr at 0951-300-7489 or email jamel.carr@eur.army.mil.

# **Mailing meat means money** minus for military members

By Robert Szostek

U.S. European Command Customs Public Affairs Office

MANNHEIM, Germany — Many U.S. personnel in Europe receive \$300 fines from the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) because they mailed packages of wurst, ham or pâté to America. However, infestations of animal disease cost the U.S. taxpayer much more -- millions of dollars each year.

It is illegal to send red meats and sausages to the United States without U.S. Department of Agriculture approval. CBP routinely checks packages from overseas, often with dogs trained to sniff out food. Trying to "sneak" meats into the country is a crime and it is worth remembering this as you prepare your shopping list for the holiday season.

"All packages mailed to the USA must have a customs declaration," said Bill Johnson, director of the U.S. European Command Customs Executive Agency. "In many cases, people falsely list the contents of packages. Willfully trying to sneak anything into the USA without declaring it, is smuggling and carries very stiff penalties," he added.

For those who choose to ignore these laws, CBP issues fines of \$300 to \$1,000 to first-time offenders.

Call a military customs office to find out more or visit our Web site at www.hqusareur.army.mil/opm/uscustoms.htm.

# Online Living Pattern Survey answers the question. What can I do about COLA?

By Story by Angelika Lantz, 21st Theater Sustainment Command Public Affairs

Bldg. 7119, USAG Bamberg 469-8647/0951-300-8647

The term is familiar to most servicemembers, and the underlying philosophy is easy to grasp. Even the computation process is fairly straightforward.

The source of frustration for its recipients is usually limited to only one aspect - it continuously changes.

COLA stands for cost-of-living allowance, and OCONUS refers to overseas as opposed to locations within the continental United States.

Basically OCONUS COLA, or OCOLA, is a supplement designed to match the purchasing power of servicemembers stationed overseas with servicemembers stationed stateside. In other words, OCOLA is designed to offset the higher

prices of non-housing goods and services overseas so servicemembers and their families can afford to purchase the same level of goods and services they are afforded while stationed in the United States.

"What you need to know about OCOLA is that it routinely fluctuates for numerous reasons," said Lt. Col. Thomas Seelig, the director of finance policy and operations at the 21st Theater Sustainment Command's 266th Financial Management Center.

The two components that affect the amount of OCOLA allowance are the exchange rate and data that measures the cost difference between prices overseas and U.S. prices.

"Rate of exchange fluctuations are calculated twice each month; therefore it is possible for OCOLA to go up and down

(COLA continued on page 10)

#### **Trips and Travel Opportunities**

#### Take a trip with Bamberg Outdoor Recreation in September and October

You must register for these trips by the Monday before the scheduled leave date or they may be cancelled. To sign up or for more information, please come to Outdoor Recreation, Building 7047 or call 469-8659/7450 or 0951-300-8659. All trips depart and arrive at Community Activity Center (CAC) unless otherwise noted. No refund will be given for no-shows. Military duty restraint or illness will be refunded with documentation.

#### Sept. 26 White Water Kayak \$25

Get your kayak paddle on Sept. 26 with ODR! Perfect for beginners, learn the basics of whitewater kayaking in Little Swiss. Wear a swimsuit and water shoes and pack drinks and lunch. Includes transportation, equipment and instruction. The trip departs at 8 a.m. and returns at 4:30 p.m.

#### Oct. 3 Oktoberfest \$20

A must see for anyone in Germany is Munich's Oktoberfest. September 19 is opening day of the festival. You can watch the traditional parade and cheer as the Lord Mayor of Munich taps the first keg of the festival at noon. Includes transportation. Entrance is free. The bus will depart from the Chapel parking lot 8 a.m. and return about 11:30 p.m.

Oct. 8 Tour Under Bamberg

Take the Tour Under Bamberg Oct. 8. This unique trip through tunnels under Bamberg gives you a view of the city that shouldn't be missed. The tunnels are generally cool and damp, please wear appropriate clothing and bring a flashlight. The bus will depart ODR at 5 p.m. and return about 7:30 p.m.

#### Oct. 9-12 Glacier Skiing STB/

We're headed to Austria for some early season glacier skiing and riding. Trip includes transportation and 3 nights lodging with breakfast and dinner. Does not include lift pass. Get reduced rentals and tuning at the ODR ski shop. Need lessons? Sign up at ODR, only \$25 for a 1 1/2 hour group lesson, from beginner to advanced. The bus will depart ODR at 10 a.m. Oct 9 and return about 10 p.m. Oct. 12.

#### Oct. 10 Day Hike \$20

Did you know that we're only a short ride away from miles and miles of some of the best hiking trails in Germany? Explore about 20km of trails in beautiful Little Swiss with Outdoor Recreation. Please wear hiking shoes and layers and bring a comfortable back pack with drinks, lunch and snacks. Departs ODR at 8:30 A.M., returns approx. 5 P.M.

#### Oct. 10 Auto Museums \$25

Join us for a quick trip to the Porsche and Mercedes museums in Stuttgart to get a good look at some fine German engineering. Includes transportation and museum admission. Please bring money for lunch and anything you might like to buy. Don't forget your VAT forms! The bus will depart at 8 a.m. and return about 7 p.m.

#### Oct. 23 Wine Tasting \$TBA

Head to historic Schloss Buttenheim for a unique dining experience. There will be a three course dinner and tasting of five wines. Includes dinner, wine and transportation. Wine, olive oil and other gourmet items will be available for purchase so don't forget your VAT forms! The bus will depart at 6 p.m. and return about 11:30 p.m.

#### **Outside the Gate**

#### Weekend Events in and around Bamberg Sept. 24 - Oct. 5

#### Friday, Sept. 25

- 7 p.m. "Concert of the Bamberg Symphonic Orchestra" special for the reopening of the concert hall at Konzert- und Kongresshalle Jo seph-Keilberth-Saal, Mußstrasse 1, Bamberg tickets available at www.bvd-tickets.de
- 8 p.m. "No Lyrics" live music at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstrasse 18, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "The Butlers" live music at Live-Club, Obere Sandstrasse 7, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "The Razorblades" live music at at Club Kaulberg, Unterer Kaulberg
   36, Bamberg
- 10 p.m. "Morph Club Class 6" DJ party at Morph-Club, Luitpoldstrasse 17, Bamberg
- 11 p.m. "The Seventies Club" back to the Seventies at Mojow-Club,
  Obstmarkt 8, Bamberg (11:00 p.m. -12:30 a.m. cocktail happy hour)

#### Saturday, Sept. 26

- 10 a.m. "17th Lange Strasse Fest" street festival at Lange Strasse, down town Bamberg
- 12 p.m. "Saturday concert" organ concert at cathedral Kaiserdom Bamberg,
  Domplatz, Bamberg
- 7 p.m. "Dr. Faust" (in German) baroque play at Marionette-Theater, Untere Sandstrasse 30, Bamberg tickets at www.bvd-ticket.de
- 8 p.m. "Liam Court" live music at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstrasse 18, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Peter Jäger Bänd & OneManBand" live music at Live-Club, Obere Sandstrasse 7, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Groenewald-Englbrecht-Morsey" live jazz at Jazzkeller, Obere Sandstrasse 18, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Hale Bopp" live music at Live-Club, Obere Sandstr. 7, Bamberg
- 10 p.m. "Deep!" house, detroit-techno, deepe grooves at Morph-Club, Luitpoldstrasse 17, Bamberg
- 11 p.m. "Diskopolente" Justus Schrotte & Goodstuff at Mojow-Club, Obstmarkt 8, Bamberg (11:00 p.m. -12:30 a.m. cocktail happy hour)

#### Sunday, Sept. 27

- 5 p.m. "Stephansberg Fall Concert" concert at church St. Stephan, Stephansplatz 5, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Andi Lauth" live music at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstrasse 18, Bamberg

#### Monday, Sept. 28

- 7 p.m. Piano-Live at Hofbräu Restaurant & Bar, Karolinenstrasse 7, Bamberg
- 10 p.m. "SCHWOF" the cult disco party, all drinks are half price at Live-Club, Obere Sandstrasse 7, Bamberg

#### Friday, Oct. 2

- 6:30 p.m. "Der Freischütz" (in German) romantic opera at Marionette-Theater, Untere Sandstrasse 30, Bamberg – tickets at www.bvdticket.de
- 8 p.m. "Barry P. Foley" live country music at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstrasse
  18, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Sondaschule" live ska and punk at Live-Club, Obere Sandstrasse 7, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Haunted Circus" live band at at Club Kaulberg, Unterer Kaulberg 36, Bamberg
- 11 p.m. "Groove City" Beat Virus DJ Jay Kay & DJ Dimi Dee at Mojow-Club, Obstmarkt 8, Bamberg (11:00 p.m. -12:30 a.m. cocktail happy hour)

#### Saturday, Oct. 3

- 12 p.m. "Saturday concert" organ concert at cathedral Kaiserdom Bamberg, Domplatz, Bamberg
- 7 p.m. "Prinz Rosenrot und Prinzessin Lilienweiss" (in German) romantic play at Marionette-Theater, Untere Sandstrasse 30, Bamberg tick ets at www.bvd-ticket.de
- 7:30 p.m. "1st Country Line Dance Party" at Haas-Säle, Obere Sandstraße 7, 96049 Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Choco Latte" "Choco Latte" live music at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstrasse 18, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Pumpkin Night in Altendorf" town center, Egloffsteiner Ring, 96146
  Altendorf
- 9 p.m. "Croomp Petra Krumphuber Quintett" live music at Jazz Club, Obere Sandstrasse 18, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Ken Guru & The Highjumpers" at Sound n Arts Club, Sandstrasse 20, Bamberg
- 11 p.m. "Club Deluxe" Chris Slim at Mojow-Club, Obstmarkt 8, Bamberg (11:00 p.m. -12:30 a.m. cocktail happy hour)

#### Sunday, Oct. 4

- 10 a.m. "Pumpkin Fest in Altendorf" town center, Egloffsteiner Ring, 96146 Altendorf
- 2 p.m. "Apple Market in Oberoberndorf" town center at the church, 96199 Zapfendorf-Oberoberndorf
- 7 p.m. "Organ Concert" at church St. Magdalena, 96129 Geisfeld
- 8 p.m. "Ann Vriend & Niels Duffhues" live music at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstrasse 18. Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Fiddler's Green" live band at Live-Club, Obere Sandstr. 7, Bamberg

#### Monday, Oct. 5

- 7 p.m. Piano-Live at Hofbräu Restaurant & Bar, Karolinenstr. 7, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "SCHWOF" the cult disco party, all drinks are half price at Live-Club, Obere Sandstr. 7, Bamberg



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Bamberg Middle High School has vacancies for part time Education and Training Technician (Special Education Aide). Please visit our website at www ed dodea edu or contact the school at 0951-300-8874 for more information.(07/23/09)

Bamberg Middle High School has vacancies for substitute teacher positions. Please contact the school at 0951-300-8874 for more information.(07/23/09)

Automotive Technology instructors needed. Central Texas College-Europe is accepting applications for Automotive instructors who have an Associate's degree or higher and a minimum of 5 years work experience in the maintenance field or a Bachelor's degree and a minimum of 3 years work experience in the maintenance field. For more information, call Brenda McNeil at 469-7467.

Bamberg Elementary School has openings for part-time Education and Training Technicians (Special Education Aide). For more information on our open continuous vacancies go to www.eu.dodea.edu.

#### **AUTOMOBILES**

FOR SALE: 65" projection TV, JVC model AV-65WP55, NTSC, HDTV ready, w. remote. Very good shape. It has just couple of minor scratches on the screen, invisible when in use. Great for games. For pick-up only. Willing to give a ride with it in Bamberg and close surroundings for 30 USD, if you move it out on your own. Bamberg on post. Asking 300 USD. Please call: 0951-2092209 or 0162 -31205076. (09/24/09)

FOR SALE; 2003 Saturn VUE V6 AWD, great family SUV with lots of space, apprx 58000 miles, new tires, roof rack, sunroof, multi-disc CD/cassette player, cruise control, power doors/windows, remote entry, A/C, ABS. In great condition. PCSing and have to sell. Kelly BB is \$9850, asking \$9000 obo. Contact Greg Rebecca Morris at maljan001@yahoo.com 01703645466 (09/24/09)

For sale: 1994 Toyota Camry V6 LE, four door automatic, 99,000 miles- \$2,000.00 or best offer - Please contact Mike or

Fllen @ 0951-297-4035 / 0170 368 8856 or Blahovecm@aol.com. (09/17/09)

For Sale: 2007 Ford Fusion SF 14500 miles. well kept and great shape mechanically, power everything, 5 speed manual transmission asking \$11500 Please call Selling due to PCS 01751128583. (09/17/09)

1983 Honda Silverwing motorcycle, low miles, very good condition, extra brake pads and logos. Currently registered non-op due to no bike license. Needs battery. Runs great! Asking \$1000 OBO. Call Stephanie at 01705883916 or 09512972052 or email screech\_n\_carmie@yahoo.com.

1997 Pontiac Firebird, 99K miles, silver, t -tops, manual transmission, good allweather tires, alloy rims, new power steering pump, new full clutch assembly, added speaker. Runs great! Good gas mileage for a 6 cyl. Hate to let it go but must sell, 3 kids 2 rear seat belts don't work! Asking \$4550 (NADA retail price) O.B.O. Call or email Stephanie @ 01705883916 or 09512972052, screech\_n\_carmie@yahoo.com

92 Jeep Wrangler, Black & Chrome. Call 0171/2750492 or email a.perkins@tonline.de.

Chrysler 300 V6 with 2100 miles, brand new only used for two months. Scotch Guard interior, black exterior. Asking price \$24,000. Pictures available on request. Contact me at 0151-2260-9304 Bamberg.

#### **FOR SALE**

FOR SALE: Antique couch. Cover should be renewed. Asking \$75. Call 0163-2973350. .(09/24/09)

PCS SALE: Large dog kennel like new \$40. 220v Coffee pot with water filter \$25. 220v Hair Dryer with diffuser \$35. infantecrystal@hotmail.com phone 0951-297-1203.(09/17/09)

For sale: Mobile air condition, 220 V, just used for one season, in immaculate condition. Has many features like timer and comes with remote control. In original box. Paid 300 Euros on the economy, asking \$175 OBO. Call 0170-3853899 for more information.

Platform queen bed for sale. It is chocolate brown in color. I have a mattress and box spring as well. The mattress is comprised of memory foam and spring. 500 for all OBO. Pictures available upon For more information call request. 09512088841 or 015152585310 or email crystalbkeiser@yahoo.com. (09/10/09)

Baby girl clothes. winter. sizes 0-3 months gently used. Total of 39 pieces NO stains. 6 one piece outfits, 4 two piece outfits, 1 snow suit and lots more. Includes old navy, carter, buster brown, first impressions and more. \$50. 01515 877 8401, email for pics and more details: lilbittalori@vahoo.com.(09/10/09)

Baby girl clothes. sizes 3-6 months. Winter. Total of 23 pieces NO stains. 3 two piece outfits, 1 three piece outfit, 2 one piece outfits, 1 snowsuit and more. Includes old navy, Disney, carter and more. \$30. 01515 877 8401. email for pics or more info: lilbittalori@yahoo.com. Must see to appreciate.(09/10/09)

For sale: Nintendo DS Lite. Includes 3 games (Brain Age, Carnival Games, Club House Games) and case. \$100. This is not the model with the camera built in. Call 0954-998-8777. (09/03/2009).

PCS Items for Sale: Medicine Cabinet with mirror and lights; floor lamps; desk; bistro table with chairs: microwave ovens; iron hand mixer; light fixtures; metal shelves All electrical items are 220V Call 09505-803596 or email: ramstein\_len@hotmail.com.

PCS Sale. Large dog kennel like new \$40. 220 Coffee pot with water filter \$25. 220 Hair Dryer with diffuser \$35. Email infantecrystal@hotmail.com or phone 0951-297-1203.

For sale Petunia Picklebottom Diaper Bag \$ 60 dollars, Green Graco Contours Stroller \$ 30.00 dollars, Dark blue and light blue German stroller \$ 90, white toddler bed without mattress \$ 20 pictures are available upon request email bambergsale@gmail.com (08/20/2009)

Panasonic 5 disk dvd/cd/radio player with 5 surround sound speakers and 1 subwoofer, remote control \$75 OBO. keephim1124@yahoo.com 0160-495-9647. (08/20/2009)

Lexmark 6570 wireless 3 in 1 scanner/ copier/fax. Top feed and lift top. Ink in printer 75% full and I have 2 color inks and 1 black in the box. \$80. Great for office or home keephim1124@yahoo.com 0160-495-9647. (08/20/2009)

HP Photosmart printer model number C3804A. Needs ink and paper, have all cables, it is in good condition. \$50 OBO keephim1124@yahoo.com or 0160-495-9647. (08/20/2009)

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Come study the Bible with us on Sept. 25th at 6 p.m. on post at 7 Lindenanger #B3R. Call Leo Siegfried at 0951-208-8835 for more information. (09/24/09)

FOUND: During the week of August 31st through September 4th, someone returned items to the ACS Lending Closet that had been borrowed. Mixed in with those borrowed items, were several personal items. Please stop by the ACS or call 469-7777 to identify these items so that we can return them to you. (09/17/09)

WANTED: Math tutor. I am looking for a math tutor to tutor my 4th grader. Twice a week for an hour each session. I am flexible with scheduling. Must be very good in math and able to document this based off of transcripts or grades. Preferably an adult tutor but a junior or senior in high school is suitable. \$ 8 -\$10 based on experience. For more information, call 0151-241-70961 or 0951-300-8059.(09/17/09)

LOST: Pink Nintendo DS with Strawberry Shortcake stickers on the front. Please contact us if you have any information. Belongs to a 6 year old girl that was givin it as a gift from her deployed father. Please call or e-mail if you can help. 0951-209-9857 OR stancillmelissa@yahoo.com

WANTED: Penpal, I lived in Bamberg from 75 to 79. I lived behind the elementary school on the base. I am interested in an American pen pal, pref, female, Carol Levi 1615 Runnymede Rd. #3, Norfolk, Va. 23505.

WANTED: Comfy Rocking Chair to rock baby. Pictures requested if available, email me at dogear\_graphics@yahoo.com.

The Bamberg Hospitality House supports the ministry of the Warner Barracks Chapel by offering additional opportunities for discipleship, Bible study, fellowship (that includes

food often!) weekend activities etc. Join us Friday nights for 6:30 pm dinner and Bible study at our home (Sonnenstr. 7; 96175 Pettstadt: ph 09502-8037, www.cadence.org/ huisien). Join us on Sundays at the 11 a.m. Protestant Service (Post Chapel).(01/15/09)

The Bamberg Protestant service meets from 11 a.m. to noon every Sunday at the chapel. AWANA meets at the Bamberg High School gym every Sunday evening from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Come join us as we worship, celebrate and get to know our Lord. For more information call Chaplain Williamson at 469-1570 or 0951-300-1570.

#### **AD SUBMISSIONS**

When submitting a classified ad for publication, be sure to include your name, address and telephone number. We will not advertise commercial services. Classified ads will be erased after three weeks of being published in the Warner Weekly. If you have something you want to adver-tise in the classified section, please email your submissions to bambergpao@ eur.army.mil. We will ONLY accept classified ads by email. We will not accept advertisements by phone or hand-written. These classified ads are a free service to you and in order for us to provide them, they must be in a cut-and-paste text only format. We hope this service is something you will utilize. For more information, call 469-1600 or email bambergpao@eur.army.mil.



#### **Recycling Tips**

- 1. Recycle your old clothes. Buy toys atand give old ones tothe Thrift Shop.
- 2. Swap clothes with friends to cut back on shopping.
- 3. Cleaning the kitchen? Use cotton cloths instead of rolls of paper towels.

#### **Energy- saving Tips**

- 1.A fuller fridge or freezer is more efficient than an empty one so keep it filled.
- 2. When cooking: pot and cooking site diameter should correlate!
- 3. Put the lid on and use the smallest pot.

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back to your communities and help us spread the word that our Soldiers want to be your neighbors."

Rosenberg informed the representatives that Soldiers usually stay in Bamberg for a three-year tour and the garrison's housing office workforce can assist property owners with translations, contract negotiations, and other documentation.

The commander also updated the leaders on what is happening on Warner Barracks.

Rosenberg explained some of the moving elements that will slightly change the demographics of Warner Barracks.

"We currently have Soldiers redeploying from Iraq and they are happy to be back in Bamberg," Rosenberg told the leaders. "At the same time, the other half of our Soldier population is preparing for a 12-month deployment to Afghanistan. As far as the units go, we are losing the 793rd Military Police Headquarters as they will be going to Alaska starting in December, We are only talking about 70 Soldiers though. On the other hand, we have received about 140 Soldiers with a new Engineer Company and will be receiving another 190 engineers next year."

The chief of the housing office Arno Schäfer attended the meeting to provide answers to any of the representatives' questions regarding private rentals.

He also provided the representatives with flyers for the housing office and encouraged them to take some to landlords who may be interested in renting their houses and apartments to U.S. personnel.

"I've never seen a commander do this," Schäfer said.

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from one pay period to the
next. Whenever the dollar
gets stronger against the
Euro, OCOLA decreases and
vice versa," Seelig said.

While there is nothing servicemembers can do to influence the exchange rate, they play a vital role in determining the second component.

The second component compares prices of goods and services overseas with prices for similar goods and services in the United States, and it is derived from a number of surveys.

"It is not a given that a high number of survey participants results in a COLA increase, however, it does increase the chance of that happening. The higher the percentage of servicemembers and their families who participate, the more likely it will be to obtain data that accurately reflects their economic reality," Seelig said.

Servicemembers overseas are asked to participate in the Living Pattern Survey every

three years. The survey seeks to identify where servicemembers and their families shop for items like groceries and clothing and where they spend money on dining-out, personal products and services, car repairs, etc.

It also determines how much of their shopping is done at the commissary, Post Exchange or on the internet.

Additionally, data compiled from follow-on surveys is analyzed, incorporated and used to compare prices overseas to those in the United States and to compute the Cost of Living Index, which in turn is used to establish the country's COLA rate per locality.

The next Living Pattern Survey for Germany is scheduled to be available online in early October and can be accessed at the U.S. Army Europe homepage at www.hqusareur.army.mil. Servicemembers are encouraged to take the survey, which takes less than 30 minutes to complete, at home with their families.

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## Reminder

Please pay attention to all traffic signs while driving through construction areas on Warner Barracks.



Barons' quarterback John Reid moves the ball through a pursing Spartans defense. At right, Forte Cunningham catches a pitch from Reid.

## Scoreless first half costs Barons home game win

By Douglas DeMaio, USAG Bamberg Public Affairs

Costly turnovers and penalties lead to a 20-12 loss for the Bamberg Barons when they played the Shape Spartans at home on Sept. 19.

First-half mistakes by the Barons lead to poor field position. The Spartans capitalized on the mistakes to put points on the scoreboard.

The Spartans marched down the field on their first possession to take a 6-0 lead, missing the point after try.

The Barons' first possession led to a punt and a botched snap by the kicker. Shape took possession of the ball on the Barons' 14-yard line and quickly extended the lead to 14-0 after making a 2-point conversion.

The Barons started their next drive from the 10-yard line after the kickoff when the receiver fumbled with the ball.

A sequence of penalties moved the ball backward from the 10-yard line to the goal line.

When the Spartans took over, they had good field position around midfield, but more penalties by the Barons, including a roughing the passer, lead to yet another touchdown by the Spartans, making the score 20-0.

With less than a minute left to play in the first half, the Barons looked as though they were about to score when Javonte Knuckles caught a pass by John Reid, taking it 80-yards to the end zone.

However, an ineligible receiver downfield negated the reception and the halftime score remained 20-0.

The Spartans were perhaps a bit over confident going into the second half. A quarter-back sack by Barons' Josh Torres led to a turnover on downs and the Barons quickly capitalized off the field position. Running back Forte Cunningham broke through the line of scrimmage and scampered for a 28-yard touchdown making the score 20-6.

The momentum seemed to shift for the Barons. Linebacker Donovan Davis said the Barons' defense was better able to contain the outside rushing and force the ball action to the middle during the second half.

The defense was able to hold the Spartans to limited yardage in the second half and force them to punt.

With a few minutes left in the game, the Barons were to move the ball the length of the field and convert on a fourth-and-one possession to keep the drive alive.

Run after run, the Barons took advantage of their speed and agility. The backfield ran over and around the tired Spartans' defense.

With about .12 seconds remaining, Cunningham ran over a Spartans defender to put the ball in the end zone.

Yet the Barons were unable to recover an onside kick and time expired to give the Spartans a 20-12 victory over the Barons.

Barons' coach James Davis told the Barons after the game that if they had played the



On fourth-and-one, the Barons Forte Cunningham gets a first down to keep a drive in the fourth quarter going. The Barons played the Shape Spartans at home Sept. 19. After trailing 20-0 at halftime, the Barons were able to put points on the scoreboard through a strong second half running game. With seconds left in the game, the Barons went for an onside kicked, but couldn't recover. The score ended at 20-12.

first half like the second half that the outcome would have been different.

"I thought we outplayed them," the coach said referring to the second half.

Cunningham, the team captain, expressed to his team his frustration with the loss after the game, but explained that the team has improved from last year and expects they will have success this season.

# Soldier Family Appreciation Day

Photos by Simon Hupfer and Douglas DeMaio

Soldiers and their family members were treated to a day of enjoyment during the Soldier Family Appreciation Day Sept. 18 at Building 7000 parking lot.

Ember, a rock band who was sponsored by Armed Forces Entertainment for the event, performed after the Operation Rising Star finalists competed.

Chaplain (Capt.) Donald Williamson advanced in the military version of American Idol. Williamson was given a check for \$500. Runner up Kimberly Monteleone won \$250 and Ebony Ross received \$100.

Before the live entertainment started, several carnival activities were available for children and Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers sponsored a car bash activity for participants, using a sledgehammer to destroy an old BMW. BOSS raised around \$500 from the event.

Students were released early from school at 1:30 p.m. to attend the appreciation day event.

Volunteers in the Bamberg military community were also recognized for their service to the community.









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